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HIGH-SPEED BUSES INTERCONNECTED BY BRIDGES

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 11-24 as follows.

Claim 11, line 1, delete "or 9".

Claim 12, line 1, delete "or 10".

Claim 13, line 1, delete "or 9".

Claim 14, line 1, delete "or 10".

Claim 15, line 1, delete "or 13".

Claim 16, line 1, delete "or 14".

Claim 17, line 1, delete "or 13".

Claim 18, line 1, delete "or 14".

Claim 19, line 1, delete "or 13".